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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEE: EPP RECOUP PAROLE REQUEST: (BIO-CAT III LAO REFUGEE CHAMPATHONG, FAMILY OF 5)

REF: A. UDORN 6026 B. STATE 178281

- 1. CHAMPATHONG (MALE)
- A. BUDDHIST
- B. NOV 5, 1944, VIENTIANE, LAOS
- C. 6 YEARS PRIMARY; 4 YEARS SECONDARY; U.S. TRAINING:

1966 - ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES AT DAO/ELS, VIENTIANE (4 MOS);

1966-67 AMERICAN LANGUAGE COURSE, LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE,

TEXAS. (4 MOS), LEADERSHIP COURSE, FT. KNOX, KY. (5 MOS);

1968 INTELLIGENCE COURSE, FT. BUCKNER, OKINAWA (2 MOS)

D. 1961-75 ROYAL LAO ARMY (FINAL RANK: MAJOR); 1961-64

ASST COMPANY COMMANDER 26TH INFANTRY; 1965-67 INTELLIGENCE

OFFICER, HEADQUARTERS, VIENTIANE; 1967-68 COMPANY COMMANDER,

1ST AIRBORNE BTTLN.; 1969-73 SGU (SPECIAL GUERILLA UNIT)

MR III, SGU SCHOOL DIRECTOR AT NONGSAPHANG, LAOS; 1974 STAFF

INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, VIENTIANE. 1975 LOGISTICS OFFICER,

VIENTIANE. (1969-73 MILITARY DUTIES PERFORMED UNDER

AUSPICES OF U.S. GOVERNMENT)

E. LAO (NATIVE), ENGLISH, FRENCH (GOOD)

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- 2. BOUNLEUANG (WIFE)
- A. BUDDHIST
- B. MAR 4, 1949, SAVANNAKHET, LAOS
- C. 6 YEARS PRIMARY; 2 YEARS PRACTICAL NURSE'S TRAINING
- D. 1966-72 NURSE'S AID SENO, SAVANNAKHET
- E. LAO (NATIVE), FRENCH (GOOD)
- F. N/A
- G. N/A
- 3. CHANTANALY JULY 3, 1969, SAVANNAKHET, LAOS (DAUGHTER).
- 4. KEOMANY SEP 2, 1973, SAVANNAKHET, LAOS (DAUGHTER)
- 5. SRIPHRACHAN FEB 1, 1975, SAVANNAKHET, LAOS (DAUGHTER)
- 6. PATHET LAO AUTHORITIES SENT CHAMPATHONG TO SEMINAR AT SEPONE AUGUST 8, 1975. HE MANAGED TO ESCAPE SEMINAR CAMP ON MARCH 28. PURSUED BY PATHET LAO PATROLS, CHAMPATHONG MADE A CIRCUITOUS ROUTE TOWARD THE THAI BORDER, FINALLY CROSSING INTO THAILAND ON MAY 19. WHILE AT THE BORDER VILLAGE OF BAN NA PO, CHAMPATHONG MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH FRIENDS TO GET HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN OUT OF SAVANNAKHET. HE THEN ENTERED THE LAO REFUGEE CAMP AT UBOL WHERE HE APPLIED FOR U.S. PAROLE ON MAY 26. ON MAY 28 CHAMPATHONG RETURNED TO BAN NA PO TO WAIT FOR HIS FAMILY, MISSING HIS SCHEDULED INS INTERVIEW ON MAY 29. CHAMPATHONG'S WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN CROSSED INTO THAILAND JUNE 4. AFTER PAYING A BRIBE THE ENTIRE FAMILY WAS ALLOWED TO ENTER UBOL REFUGEE CAMP ON JUNE 16. UDORN REFUGEE OFFICE WAS INFORMED ON JULY 8.
- 7. IN VIEW OF SUBJECT'S EXTENSIVE U.S. TRAINING AND CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH USG PERSONNEL, POST STRONGLY RECOMMENDS ORM AND INS/CO APPROVE ISSUANCE OF FIVE EPP RECOUP NUMBERS TO SUBJECT FAMILY IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF B, FOURTH PRIORITY, CAT III FINNEY

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